

House Resolution No. 1187

Whereas, it is with heavy hearts that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to acknowledge the significant achievements of a life gone by, that of Ogeil Viola Gipson, who passed to her eternal reward on March 7, 2005, after one hundred five years of life on this most precious earth; and

Whereas, Ogeil Viola Gipson came into this world in Richmond, Missouri, on August 27, 1899, as one of two children born to proud and loving parents William and Mattie Gibbs, who welcomed her into their hearts as a precious gift from God; and

Whereas, Ogeil graduated from high school in Richmond and declared her love for the Lord at an early age, glorifying His name as a devout member of the St. John C.M.E. Church in Richmond; and

Whereas, Ogeil embarked upon a new and exciting chapter in her life when she married Robert Severe Jackson, a union which lasted twelve years and produced two beautiful children, Kathryn and Robert; and

Whereas, Ogeil found true love once again when she wed the late Carl Gipson, with whom she ran the kitchen at the Hyde Park Hotel and the dining room at the Advertising Club; and

Whereas, a devout Christian woman who was known for the delicious cakes she baked and the beautiful crocheted, knitted, and quilted items she made, Ogeil Gipson worked in the home of Dr. and Mrs. Paul Pearson for many years and compiled an enviable list of service to Jamison Memorial Temple Christian Methodist Episcopal Church located in Missouri's 37th legislative district, where she served as secretary of the Silver Leaf and Stewardess boards and the Sunday School; and

Whereas, the matriarch of her family who gave much of herself to her church and to her loved ones, Ogeil Gipson leaves to cherish her memory her two children, Kathryn E. Wilkins and Robert W. Jackson, both of Kansas City; and her nine grandchildren, seven great-grandchildren, and three great-great-grandchildren:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, unanimously join in paying final tribute to Ogeil Gipson, a remarkable woman of peace and kindness in this world who will be sadly missed by all those who had the rare privilege of knowing and loving her; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for the loved ones of the late Ogeil Viola Gipson, as an expression of our deepest sympathy.

Offered by _____
Representative Sharon Sanders Brooks
District No. 37

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Ninety-third General Assembly, First Regular Session, do
certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House
Resolution No. 1187, adopted March 10, 2005.

Rod Jetton, Speaker